

Charles
says

Don't Delay

In acknowledging the receipt of graduation presents. Our store is headquarters for anything you may need for this purpose. It is not too late to make graduating presents. If you have overlooked any one you still have time in which to make a selection.

We have a few books left and a fine assortment of cut glass, china, fountain pens, toilet sets, etc.

See us at once.

The Charles Drugg Co



We do not believe in hiding our light under a basket. We might know it was there but no one else would. We sincerely believe that we have the best assorted, most up-to-date and best arranged hardware store in Van Buren county. We feel proud of this and we want you all to know it. This up-to-date hardware stock has been made possible by the liberal patronage of the hardware buyers in and around Paw Paw.

We have endeavored to deal so as to be deserving of your confidence and support. While our prices may not be in all cases lower than our neighbors or catalog houses, still those who trade steady at Waters' have been well repaid for their patronage. We have adopted the Simmons Hardware Co's motto. "The recollection of quality is remembered long after the prices are forgotten," for one of ours. We could sell the same class of goods as put out by catalog houses as leaders but we labor under the impression that the large part of our people are willing to pay what a good article is worth if they are satisfied that they get the worth of their money. This is what we are trying to do. Give you too cent value for each dollar spent in our place of business. If you feel that you're not satisfied, return the goods and get your money. We want you to get the habit of "Talking to Waters" each and every time you want to know something about hardware. It's business for us to please our customers.

H. C. WATERS & CO.

For Sale.
A small fruit farm for sale cheap. Close to the village of Lawrence, Van Buren county, Mich. Price, \$650 cash. 3 1/2 acres set to choice fruits, nearly all kinds, 1 1/2 acres planted to white marrow beans and potatoes (not in orchard), squashes and sugar corn planted, tomato plants set and parsnips growing in another patch. A small 5 room cottage. One room for wood has a floor and can be used for a summer kitchen. Barn, hen house and large park. A good place for a chicken farm. 130 peach trees nearly all in bearing, some 6 years old, 50 apple trees, 12 in bearing, some in full, 2 sweet cherry trees, 1 large Early Richmond, 4 very large Montmorency cherry trees, 7 pear trees, 5 in bearing, 11 small cherry trees, 15 plum trees, mostly in bearing, small fruits. House will be in good condition, just repairing, nearly done, good cistern.

JOHN H. WHEELER,
Lawrence.

Caleb is the man to do your polishing or refinishing of furniture. I am well pleased with mine.

FRED DIBBLE.

Fruit Packages.
Do not use a poor package. I have one of the best made. Patrons of the fruit growers union will do well to see me before placing their orders.

W. C. WILDEY.

For Sale.
On account of going out of business I will sell at my barn the following described property: 2 wagonettes, 1 lumber wagon, 1 three seat, 1 surrey, 2 single buggies, 2 drays, 2 sleighs, double and single harnesses, robes, etc., and 1 pair black mares.

JOHN NELSON,
Paw Paw, Mich.

For Sale.
Three nice row boats in first class condition, newly painted; are suitable for pleasure or fishing. Address or phone CASH D. BARKER, Lawrence, Mich.

Wanted.
A reliable woman to do general house work on fruit farm near Paw Paw. Wages \$3 per week. Address Box 652.

Wanted.
Man familiar with grapes to work on small fruit farm.

R. F. WALTON,
Paw Paw, Mich.

Lost.
On the Glendale road, an automobile brass tail lamp. Return to Northerner office and receive reward.

OWNER.

Getting Ready

Mother's mouth is full of pins,
Nellie's standing very still;
Now the fitting time begins,
No one cares for me or Bill.
Tryin' on the skirt they say,
Waist is comin' next I guess;
They are making every day
Nellie's graduation dress.

Peeked into the room just now,
Gee but sister Nell wuz mad;
Had a furrow in her brow,
Told me I wuz very bad;
Had no business there at all,
Told me I should run an' play;

Said I had a lot o' gall
To break in the room that way.

Ma wuz pinin' up th' waist,
Fluffy thing o' lace and white;

Everywhere th' skirt wuz placed,
Nothin' else but pins in sight.

Ma would look and think a bit,
Fussin' with th' skirt I guess;

With a graduatin' dress,
Nell was cross as she could be.

Tryin' on she says is tough;
Said ma surely ought to see

She had tried it on enough.
Ma got mad an' sputtered pins,

Nearly forty more or less;
When th' fitting time begins

Darn a graduatin' dress.

—Exchange.

Jottings.

Mrs. Will Neale has been seriously ill but is now considerably improved.

Married, Saturday, June 9, at Paw Paw, by Justice Rowland, Peter Housen-ga and Miss Ada Mullard, both of De-catur.

Married, by Justice Killefer, June 9, at the home of Mrs. Bessie Gage, Floyd Remington and Verne Rittenhouse, both of Bloomingdale.

Wm. Tauner and Miss Blanche Jack-son, both of Berlamont, were married at the M. E. parsonage Saturday, June 9. Rev. A. W. Mumford officiating.

All who are interested in making the annual home coming a success are re-quested to meet at Daniel Spicer's resi-dence Friday, June 22, at 8 p. m.

Last Saturday the members of the W. R. C. surprised Mrs. Lemaux at her home. A pleasant afternoon was spent and ice cream and cake was served.

The 21st. annual reunion of the serv-iving members of Co. "C" 3d. Mich. Cav. and their families will be held at Bangor. Tuesday and Wednesday, June 26-27.

The 33d annual meeting and picnic of the Cass county pioneer society will be held on the fair grounds at Cassopolis Wednesday, June 20. Hon. Wm. Alden Smith of Grand Rapids will deliver the principal address. All are invited.

Mrs. Frank Pugsley entertained the Presbyterian choir at a lawn party Mon-day evening, which was passed just as pleasantly as though the weather had not been so frigid that the last half of the session had to be held in the house.

They didn't come home till morning—those people who attended the circus at Kalamazoo last Saturday. Something about the nine went wrong and it oc-cupied five hours to make the necessary repairs. The train arrived at Paw Paw about midnight.

N. H. Adams, one of Breedsville's pio-neer business men, was in the village this week attending circuit court. Mr. Adams must be near the four score mark, but bears his years easily. He is remembered by our older residents as the proprietor of the tannery at Breeds-ville at the time when that business em-ployed a number of people and a consid-erable amount of capital.

Dr. Mincer, expert specialist in lenses for the eye, will be at the Dyckman house on Monday, June 25, one day only. Mr. Mincer is not a stranger to our cit-izens, having done a large business and fitted many of our people with glasses several years ago, and always gave sat-isfaction. See advertisement in another column.

The caucus to select delegates to the representative and senatorial con-ventions, called at Hartford the same day of the county convention, was called to order by Glenn Warner and the organiza-tion was perfected by M. O. Rowland being chosen as chairman and B. F. Warner as secretary. The following de-legates were chosen to the representative convention: B. F. Heckert, C. D. Leech, L. H. Titus, W. C. Mosier, Julian Shel-don, A. W. Mumford, Harvey Cooley, W. L. Thompson, E. G. Thayer, E. E. Down-ing, Elmer Cornell, W. J. Warner, W. E. Showerman, Walter Cash, Walter Raleigh, C. W. Reynolds, Will A. Young. Those chosen for the senatorial con-vention were: O. W. Rowland, M. L. Decker, E. A. Wildey, A. Bilbo, M. O. Rowland, E. D. Sirrine, J. C. Warner, Jason Woodman, B. F. Warner, Chas. L. Young, R. W. Broughton, Geo. L. Tut-tle, W. J. Thomas, Harry Lurkins, Glenn Warner, J. B. Showerman, C. E. Huffer

THE GRADUATION

Commencement week with all its triumphs, joys and sadness at parting with schoolmates has gone, and with it the memory of a happy week. The Paw Paw schools, under the direction of Prof. O'Leary and his assistants, have reason to be proud of the com-mencement exercises of 1906. From the beginning, when the primary department presented their unique program at the opera house, to the last number, no hitch in the program was apparent. With the exception of one or two, every number was given. The decorations and stage settings at the opera house were beautifully ar-ranged, the motto "Gradatim" form-ing an arch beneath which the chil-dren played their parts. Each de-partment gave some special feature that did credit to its teacher, and all taking part vied with each other in doing their best. The program given by the primary department Wednes-day morning was as follows:

Good Morning..... Five Little Girls
Welcome..... Acrostic
Recitation..... Kirke Harrington
Chorus..... Fourth Grade
Recitation..... Janice Taylor
Recitation..... Harry Pritchard
Song..... Mildred O'Leary
Recitation..... Teddy Huffer
Song..... First Primary
Recitation..... Helen Huffer
Song..... Leone Graine
Recitation..... Margaret Gole
Song..... Helen Harrison
Drill..... Twelve Girls
Good Bye..... Five Little Girls

A most pleasing feature was the drill by 12 little girls dressed in pink and green, led by Ruth Osoobock and Mildred Huffer. Their evolutions were performed with grace and in perfect accord, closing by forming two lines facing the audience, the first two joining hands and forming an arch as the rear couples passed be-neath. One was reminded of Bryant's poem beginning:

"Innocent childhood and snow white flower,
Well are ye paired in your opening hour;
Thus should the pure and the lovely meet,
Stainless with stainless and sweet with sweet.

"White as these leaves just blown apart
Are the folds of thy young heart.
Guilty passion and cankering care
Never have left their traces there."

To speak of individual effort would take too much space, but we cannot forbear referring to the recitation, "Grigsby Station," given by Marg-aret Cole of the grammar department. The reading would have been credit-able to a much older person, and the dramatic fervor with which she plead to go back to Grigsby's gives evi-dence of histrionic ability rarely given to but few.

Wednesday evening the grammar department held their exercises in the opera house and gave an excel-lent program with numbers as fol-lows:

Invocation.
Class History..... Hazel Wilcox
Essay—San Francisco Disaster..... Irene Colburn
Song By Class..... The Wild Flower
Recitation—Josiah Allen's Wife at A. T. Stewart's Store..... Pearl Stephens
Solo—The Beautiful Land of Bon Bon..... Margaret Vater
"A Glimpse at the Future"..... Harold Wheaton
Recitation—The Last Hymn..... Pearl Monroe
Valedictory..... Rosina Waters
Presentation of Diplomas.

The school board in varying the program by having the diplomas given by the teacher of this grade, gave Earl Pugsley an opportunity to ex-press to his pupils the regret he had at parting with them and to give them some excellent advice. The pupils turned the tables on Mr. Pugsley by presenting him with a handsome watch chain, after which a cantata entitled "A Meeting of the Nations" was acted. Every part in this was excellently given, the partici-pants being dressed in the costumes of the nation they represented, from sanded citizen of Italy to the wear-er of the "wooden shoe." The couple from the land of the Tsar, by their appearance, gave little evidence

of the dissensions that are disturbing that unhappy country.

CANTATA

"A Meeting of the Nations"

CHARACTERS:

Six Entertainers—Pearl Stephens, Lulu Toan, Edith Thornton, Vivian Mc-Cabe, Rosina Waters, Neta Sheldon.

The Guests From

England—Lynn Lake
Hazel Wilcox
Scotland—Glenn Showerman
Florence Kelley
Ireland—Harold Wheaton
Pearl Monroe
Germany—Ray Boomer
Neva Whitcomb
Italy—Wilford Castle
Ethel Scott
Spain—Earl Dow
Maple Clement
Holland—George Howe
Irene Benwire
Switzerland—Kerby Wilkins
Ethel Cole

Sweden—Leo Loft
Esther Epley
Norway—Ralph Jennings
Myrtle Cole
Russia—Don Moe
Irene Colburn
China—Lynn Downing
Japan—Irma Lee

The grade exercises on Thursday morning were a continuation of the interesting programs given the pre-ceding day, a noticeable feature of which was the appearance in the audience of the actors of the day be-fore. Their burden of entertaining shifted to the shoulders of others they became the happy, care-free chil-dren whose love of noise and fun makes the world the brighter for their being in it. With perfect abandon they applauded, and recalls were the order of the day. In this group were many sweet voices which gave pleasure to the listeners. The rendition of songs, both solo and chorus, gave evi-dence of careful training. In the program were the "Little Maidens from Japan," who were the recipients of an encore to which they responded, but the special feature was the ope-ratta, "Edith's Dream," given by a number of this grade, the scene being laid in fairy land. The story told of a little girl, who neglected her studies and was sent of doors by her teacher to study the multiplication table. Falling asleep she was transported to fairy land, meeting there her studies in the form of fairies who formed a court, with Herbert Bassett as judge, to try her for remissness in her duty to them. After a spirited trial, dur-ing which she calls for aid upon the queen of fairies, Edith reforms and pursues her studies with pleasure. We print the program below:

Chorus..... The Ancient Archer
The Deserted Garden
Twenty Four Boys and Girls
Recitation..... Why Not, Indeed?
Earl Deming
Solo..... Drowsy Babe
Ila Barnes
Recitation..... Chums
Paul Keene
Duet..... Larboard Watch
Morse Huffer, Ralph Huffer
Recitation..... Willie's Hearing
Willie Sabin
Solo..... Tokio
Dale Harrison

Song..... Little Maidens From Japan
Leta Ford, Nellie Harrington
Mildred Britton, Hazel Clute, Lulu Fanning, Eleanor Dow, Clotilde Wishart

Dialogue..... Neighboring Kindness
Louise Hall, Agnes Cagney

Operetta..... Edith's Dream
The program of the 38th commence-ment of the Paw Paw high school for 1906 given at the rink was as follows:

Processional March—"Heaven's Artillery"
Lincoln..... Orchestra
Invocation..... Rev. C. E. Huffer
Salutatory..... Edyth M. Grimes
History..... Harley R. Ball
Selection—"The Isle of Bong Bong"
Howard..... Orchestra
Oration—"Power"..... Duane H. Mosier
Reading—"The Black Horse and His Rider"..... Leo Mather
Vocal Solo—"Voices of the Woods"
Rubinstein..... Beatrice B. Taylor
Essay—"Is Poverty a Curse?"

Hazel L. North
Mary A. Lake
Selection—"Vocal Solo"—"A Son of the Desert"—Phillips..... R. P. Warren of Orchestra

Legacy..... Elizabeth Heckert
Oration—"How Can They Succeed"
"Soldiers' Chorus"—"Faust"

High School
Prophecy..... Beth Richmond
Valedictory..... Oscar T. Olson
Presentation of Diplomas

W. C. Y. Ferguson
Benediction..... Rev. A. W. Mumford
Recessional March—"The Motor"

Rosie..... Orchestra
Owing to lack of space we are com-pelled to omit a detailed account, but hope next week to give more of the papers and perhaps a further account of the program.